TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1943 - HB 2386

March 18, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Changes the date, from September 1 to October 1, in the year a judge is elected, on which a general sessions judge's compensation is determined.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 16-15-5001 establishes classifications of counties for determining compensation of general sessions judges.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 16-15-5001(d)(1) provides that if a county is in one class on September 1 of the year in which a judge is elected to office and after that date the county moves into a lower class on the basis of a subsequent federal census, the salary of the judge shall not be diminished during the time for which the judge was elected.
- The bill changes the date of the year by one month from September 1 to October 1.
- Any impact that could result from the bill is likely to be realized at the next decennial census in 2020, but a county or municipality could elect under current law to have a special census conducted between decennial censuses. However, any impact to local government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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